## OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL DIVISION OF OPERATIONS-MANAGEMENT

## MEMORANDUM OM 05-24

**December 20, 2004** 

TO: All Regional Directors, Officers-in-Charge,

and Resident Officers

FROM: Richard A. Siegel, Associate General Counsel

SUBJECT: Deferred Case Survey, Part 4

The Office of the General Counsel has experienced great success in recent years in reducing the number of Collyer-deferred cases pending in the Regional Offices. OM-04-52, dated April 16, 2004 initiated the last of a series of exercises to contact the parties to deferred cases, make inquiries regarding the status of their arbitrations and prompt the expeditious resolution of their deferred controversies. As a result of Regional Office efforts following the issuance of OM 04-52, the number of Collyer-deferred cases pending 2 or more years as of April 2004 was reduced from 1260 to 543 by August. More than 2100 cases have been removed from deferral status since the survey program was initiated by OM 02-93, which issued on September 11, 2002. In view of the continued success of this program, we have decided to conduct another survey of cases that have been in deferral status for 2 years or more, or will be so within the next 3 months. Regions should conduct surveys of these cases consistent with the procedures and temporal framework set forth in OM 02-93. Thus, the survey should begin within 30 days of the date of this memorandum and conclude with a report of your results to DAGC Terry Morgan by April 20, 2005.<sup>1</sup>

The successes you have achieved in drastically reducing the number of old <u>Collyer</u> deferrals can only be sustained if timely contacts with the parties are made regularly. Current and complete Regional Office CATS data will facilitate the conduct of the 90-day follow-up on deferred cases.

If you have any questions regarding this memorandum, please contact your AGC or Deputy or the undersigned. Thank you for your continued efforts to accomplish this important General Counsel initiative.

/s/ R. A. S.

cc: NLRBU

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This would also be an appropriate time to survey any cases that have been deferred under <u>Dubo</u> <u>Manufacturing</u> for more than two years. Please report your results with regard to <u>Dubo</u> cases when you report to DAGC Morgan.